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Welcome and Purpose

California Communities in Action

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How to Use This Technology

- Raise hand
- Q & A
- Text Chat
- PowerPoint Slides
Joint Use and California

Making the Maximum Use of Public Resources through Joint Use

Robert S. Ogilvie PhD

The Community Recreation Act (California Education Code sections 10900 – 10914.5.)
School Facility Joint Use Program (§§17077.40 – 17077.45.)
The California Civic Center Act (§§ 38130 – 38138.)
The California Community College Act (§§ 82537 – 82548.)
The After School Education and Safety Program (§§ 8482 – 8484.9.)

Joint Use Agreements
Santa Ana and Open Space

Lack of Open Park Space
- Nearly 97% of city surface is built out with less than 2% dedicated to open space
- Santa Ana has the fewest number of park units per capita among cities assessed (1.2 per 10,000 vs. 4.3 among all cities) (TPL)
- The TPL Park Equity Map - bold red is the area with less than 5 acres of park space per 1,000 residents
- City spends $44 per person, per capita on parks versus the city of Anaheim-spends $1 per person, per capita on parks (TPL 2009 report – median was $82 for all cities)

Joint Use in Santa Ana, California

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Existing Joint Use Agreements
- Hector Godinez Fundamental High School
  - City of SA & SAUSD
  - Joint use baseball fields for city recreation programs
- Spurgeon Intermediate School
  - City of SA & SAUSD
  - city installed soccer-field lights in exchange for being able to schedule city after-school recreation programs on the fields (LA Times, July 2001)
- Willard Intermediate School
  - City manages reservations of the site for youth programs, after school, and on weekends (Prop H4-installs synthetic turf, running track, play equipment, & other amenities)
- Segerstrom High School Aquatic Center (Mar 2010)
  - SAUSD & YMCA
- Monroe Elementary School
  - City of SA & SAUSD
  - 2 soccer fields
- Valley High School
  - City of SA & SAUSD
  - Joint use fields for baseball and soccer
**Efforts Underway**

**Santa Ana, CA**

- **Joint Use**
  - Agreement between 2 or more entities that allows school grounds to be used by certain groups or individuals

- **Community Access Agreement**
  - Allows for unstructured use of school grounds as a park-like environment

- Pilot-test opening up Roosevelt & Walker Elementary as park space for the community; model CAA
- Mini social media campaign to engage the community—keep the space safe and advocate for increased opportunities for CAAs
- Recommend guidelines and standards for an unstructured school ground use policy that can potentially be replicated in the city of SA
- Formalize structure for Joint Use Taskforce – currently ad hoc

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**Demographic Community Profile**

**Santa Ana, CA**

Within 0.5 mile radius around Roosevelt & Walker Elementary Schools

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**Joint Use in Los Angeles, California**

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**Los Angeles County Joint Use Task Force**

**Los Angeles, CA**

**VISION:**
All Los Angeles County youth and families have access to safe recreation space and opportunities that encourage active recreation at local schools

**MISSION:**
- To promote local school sites as safe destinations for recreation and physical activity that is open to the community
- To encourage physical activity among all youth and families in LA County
- To provide tools and resources for educators, families and students to promote physical education and activity
- To support partnerships between school districts, public agencies, private companies and community-based organizations in order to increase recreation space at local school sites

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**American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Grant**

**Los Angeles, CA**

RENEW LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Renewing Environments for Nutrition, Exercise, and Wellness

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**School District Health Fact Sheets**

**Los Angeles, CA**

[Link to School District Health Fact Sheets]
Adelanto, California  
(San Bernardino County)  

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City of Adelanto  

- 52 square miles of desert landscape in San Bernardino County  
- Estimated 31,000 residents  
- State of California and National Park Recreation Association recommend 3 acres of park or recreation space for every 1,000 people  
- Deficit of over 64 acres for the population  
- 5 parks in the city  
- None qualify as a community park defined by park standards  
- There should be 2-3 community parks for the size of the population  
- Denied Prop. 84 grant  
- Scored low on the resident ratio to parks  
- No official Park and Rec. department  
- Estimated 40% of Adelanto Children are overweight or obese  
- More than 80% of students are on reduced or free lunch program  

Partner Collaboration  

- City of Adelanto  
- Mayor  
- Community Development Director  
- Healthy City Coordinator  
- Adelanto School District  
- Superintendent  
- Director of Facilities  
- Director of Nutrition  
- Principals & PTA’s  
- San Bernardino County Public Health  
- Healthy Communities  
- Sheriff’s Department  
- Victor Valley Union High School District  
- Director of Facilities  
- Citizens Patrol  
- Head Officer  
- Community Tool Box  
- Program Director  
- Adelanto Chamber of Commerce  
- Executive Director  
- Southern California Edison  
- Region Manager  
- Boys and Girls Club  
- Executive Director  

Healthy Adelanto  

- Coalition for all 4 major cities to work on a collaborative effort to promote physical activity.  
- Has made joint-use a priority issue for the regional efforts.  
- Healthy Adelanto  
- Recently received funding for a Healthy City Coordinator.  
- Has organized a monthly meeting with residents and city leaders.  
- Joint use agreement will be the primary focus  

The Goal for Joint Use in Adelanto  

- Five acres for community use from Adelanto School District  
- Community Garden  
- Walkway Trail Path to connect Northern and Southern Adelanto  
- 1st Adelanto High School built from Victor Valley High School District  
- Adelanto Pool  

Adelanto, CA
Earlimart, California

Susan Elizabeth
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Central California Regional Obesity Prevention Program

Currently No Safe Places to Play
Earlimart, CA

One Neglected Park Exists
Earlimart, CA

Identified Site for a Park
Earlimart, CA

Current Access
Earlimart, CA

Vision for a Park
Earlimart, CA
Vision for a Park

Earlimart, CA

Discussion and Dialogue

Discussion

What challenges have you faced in advocating for or implementing joint use in your community and how have or will you overcome these challenges?

Questions?

What advice would you give to communities just beginning to work on joint use?

Joint Use in 2011...

- Building on the work of community hotspots
- Bringing support and expertise locally
- Increasing readiness
- Leveraging Constellation of Efforts
- Weaving local efforts and translating momentum to the state

Resources for Joint Use

Earlimart, CA
Public Health Law & Planning: Joint Use Toolkit

http://www.phlpnet.org/healthy-planning/products/joint_use_toolkit

Coffee with Convergence
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